

strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S4317**

Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act: Senate began consideration of S. 5, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research. **Pages S4237–94**

Hope Act: Senate began consideration of S. 30, to intensify research to derive human pluripotent stem cell lines. **Pages S4237–94**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of S. 5 and S. 30 (both listed above) at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 11, 2007; that there be 6½ hours remaining for debate, with the time controlled 1½ hours each for the Majority and Republican Leaders, or their designees, Senator Harkin and Senator Brownback; with the time until 12:30 p.m. divided as follows: 90 minutes under the control of Senator Harkin or his designee; and 45 minutes each for Senators Coleman and Isakson and Senator Brownback; that at 2:15 p.m., the time until 5:15 p.m., be allocated in the same manner, with the final 30 minutes equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees, with the Majority Leader controlling the final 15 minutes; that at 5:45 p.m., Senate vote on final passage of S. 5, to be followed by a vote on final passage of S. 30, and that there be 2 minutes of debate prior to the second vote, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders or their designees; provided further that the other provision of the order governing the consideration of these bills remain in effect. **Page S4294**

Intelligence Authorization Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 372, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. **Page S4294**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, April 12, 2007.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill was withdrawn. **Page S4294**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Michael G. Vickers, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Robert M. Couch, of Alabama, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Peter B. McCarthy, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

John L. Withers II, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania.

Charles Lewis English, of New York, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Robert B. Nolan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho.

Miriam K. Hughes, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia.

Cameron Munter, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia.

Michael K. Kussman, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Coast Guard.

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Executive Communications: **Pages S4303–04**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 8:02 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4317.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

OVERSEAS BASING PLANS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a closed hearing to examine overseas basing plans in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Philip W. Grone, Deputy Under Secretary for Installations and Environment, and Joseph A. Benkert, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Global Security Affairs, both of the Department of Defense; Major General Michael J. Diamond, USAR, Deputy Director, J-4/7, Headquarters United States Central Command; and Rear Admiral Frank Craig Pandolfé, Deputy Director for Strategy and Policy, J-5, Joint Staff.

BASE CLOSURE PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing on military installation, environmental, and base closure programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Philip W. Grone, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment; Keith E. Eastin, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Environment; B.J. Penn, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment; and William C. Anderson, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, Environment and Logistics.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), after receiving testimony from Deborah Platt Majoras, Chairman, and Pamela Jones Harbour, Jonathan Leibowitz, William Kovacic, and J. Thomas Rosch,

each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Trade Commission.

VOIP

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine voice over internet protocol (VOIP) and the future of 9–1–1 services, focusing on how E–9–1–1 policy should be responsive to a changed telecommunications landscape, including S. 428, to amend the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999, after receiving testimony from Dale N. Hatfield, University of Colorado at Boulder, former Chief of the Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission; Wanda S. McCarley, Tarrant County 9–1–1 District, Fort Worth, Texas, on behalf of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials International; Jason Barbour, National Emergency Number Association, Arlington, Virginia; Sharon O'Leary, Vonage Holdings Corp., Holmdel, New Jersey; and Stephen Meer, Intrado, Inc., Longmont, Colorado.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2007, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 103.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 443)

S. 494, to endorse further enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and to facilitate the timely admission of new members to NATO. Signed on April 9, 2007 (Public Law 110–17).

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 11, 2007**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the National Guard and Reserves, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the Office of Management and Budget, 3 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine nonproliferation programs at the National Nuclear Security Administration and the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program and the Proliferation Security Initiative at the Department of Defense in the review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Programs, 9:30 a.m., SR–232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine Ballistic Missile Defense Programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2008